

Washington Feb 13th 1865

My dear Mr Garrison—

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You will have seen the dreadful sentence passed upon my dear husband and published before we had time to have it revised by the President and before known to his Brother or friends here. Thorncliffe wrote to his Brother in great agony and Henry went to see my husband's Council who said it could not be so but if it was he would go with him the next day to see the Pres.^t Henry went immediately to Senator Sprague who went with him to see Pres Lincoln and then Mr Gorch there, & Mr Fawcett the best persons he could have met who after laying the case before the Pres.^t & at their joint request (Sprague and Gorch) telegraphed at once to Gen Ord to have the sentence not executed but to send up the

findings of the Court to him - and he would
have them revised - Mr Jameson is at
Norfolk - say Col Mann is there in charge
and very kind to him - but nothing can
help us but justice and I fear we cannot
get that in a Military Court -

I felt very sorry to leave dear Mrs Garrison
in such a sudden and sorrowful way after
we had so pleasant a time together - I asked
Mrs G to ask you to write a letter to the Pres^t
for me - Major Henry Jameson wanted you to
come on and see the Pres^t but that is too
much to ask they say you can have more
influence than any one - May I plead once
more than you will help us - I will tell the
Pres^t what a character Mr Jameson has
held and his faithfulness to the Colored
people - Mr Gorch on Pres^t thought it
might help us - the whole Trial has been
unfair - Ann & I have seen Pres^t Gorch on
this morn - and secured entire kindness and
sympathy from him and his wife who is a

lovely woman and feels so indignant than
such a good man who was always doing
for others should be lying so helpless and alone
by this terrible military tyranny - Their only
son had been quite dangerously ill with a lung
fever he was better and wanted to see us -
Tell Mrs Garrison with my love that we
shall have a comfortable home with our friends
Mr Ma and Mrs J Derham who love & love
my husband it is so comforting to have their
Christian consolation but at times both
Annie and I are almost hopeless - God
help my poor husband we cannot see him
but shall remain here for a while to see what
we can do - it soon we are to meet Gov Ford
and the New England Council -

Our love to Jimmy and Mr G - May they
never know such sorrow as this -
I hope dear Mrs G you will grant me this
one more favor I think I shall never ask
another I hope not -

If you write please direct care of Major
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Or directly to the Post as you may think
best -

Gratefully your borrowing
Friend L. L. Jameson